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1. A system for providing a commerce portal that may be used to procure one or more products offered for sale by a variety of vendors, the system comprising:

a commerce portal, wherein the portal includes a customizable selection of

products offered for sale by a variety of vendors;

5 a first computer device configured to provide information for the commerce portal;

a second computer device configured to selectively access the commerce portal to procure products provided in the commerce portal;

a network, wherein the first and second computer devices are connected to the

10 network;

purchasing information representing products provided in the commerce portal that are to be purchased by a customer, wherein the second computer transmits the purchase information to the commerce portal; and

15 a third computer device connected to the network that is configured to track the purchasing of products from the portal by the customer.

2. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the third computer device is at least one of:

(i) the first computer device; and

20 (ii) the second computer device.

3. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the products offered for sale are medical products.

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4. A system as recited in claim 3, wherein the medical products relate to performing a dialysis procedure.
5. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein a first product, of the products offered for sale, is from a first industry, and wherein a second product, of the products offered for sale is from a second industry.
6. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the first computer device is a server.
- 10 7. A system as recited in claim 6, wherein the second computer device is a client.
8. A system as recited in claim 7, wherein the network is the Internet.
9. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the products represented by the  
15 purchasing information are purchased electronically through the commerce portal.
10. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the first computer is configured to selectively authorize access to the commerce portal.

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11. A system as recited in claim 1, wherein the third computer is further configured to analyze information obtained by tracking the purchasing of products from the portal by the customer.

5           12. A system as recited in claim 11, wherein the third computer is configured to provide a report that includes information obtained by tracking the purchasing of products from the portal by the customer, wherein the report is provided to at least one of:

- (i)       the customer; and
- (ii)      a vendor.

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13. In a system that includes a computer device and a network, a method for providing a commerce portal that may be used in the procurement of products from vendors, the method comprising the steps for:

providing a commerce portal that includes a customizable selection of  
5 products offered for sale by a variety of vendors;

receiving a purchasing order that indicates products provided in the commerce  
portal that are to be purchased by a customer;

distributing the purchasing order to one or more vendors;

monitoring information relating to purchasing of the products; and  
10 tracking the purchases made of products from the portal by the customer.

14. A method as recited in claim 13, wherein the step for providing a commerce portal is performed by one or more servers.

15. 15. A method as recited in claim 13, wherein the products offered for sale include products from a variety of different industries.

16. A method as recited in claim 13, wherein the products offered for sale include various medical products.

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17. A method as recited in claim 13, further comprising the step for determining whether the purchasing order is authorized.

18. A method as recited in claim 13, further comprising the step for providing a  
5 purchase analysis to at least one of:

- (i) the customer; and
  - (ii) at least one of the one or more vendors.

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19. A computer program product for implementing within a computer system a method for providing a commerce portal that may be used in the procurement of products from vendors, the computer program product comprising

computer readable medium for providing computer program code means utilized to implement the method, wherein the computer program code means is comprised of executable code for implementing the steps for:

providing a commerce portal that includes a customizable selection of products offered for sale by a variety of vendors;

receiving a purchasing information that indicates products provided in the commerce portal that are to be purchased by a customer;

distributing the purchasing information to one or more vendors;

monitoring information relating to purchasing of the products included in the customizable selection of products; and

tracking the purchases made of products from the portal by the customer.

20. A computer program product as recited in claim 19, wherein the computer program code means is further comprised of executable code for implementing at least one of the steps for:

- 20 (i) authorizing the purchase information relating to the commerce portal;  
and  
(ii) providing a purchase analysis.